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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of:

Zhou et al.

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For: VARYING REFRACTIVE INDEX  
OPTICAL MEDIUM USING AT LEAST  
TWO MATERIALS WITH THICKNESS  
LESS THAN A WAVELENGTH

Case No. 10095/18

Examiner:

Chiem, D.D.

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2883

**SUBSTITUTE AMENDMENT ACCOMPANYING  
A REQUEST FOR CONTINUING EXAMINATION (RCE)**

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Commissioner for Patents

P.O. Box 1450

Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

This paper is submitted to accompany a Request for Continuing Examination.

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